## A New, Portable, Real-time Ozone Monitor

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#### Introduction

- ◆ People spend ~90% of time indoors
- ◆ Ozone routinely monitored outdoors
- ◆ Ozone penetration factor ranges from 0.1 to 0.9
- Need to understand indoor levels to assess and control ozone exposure

#### Ozone Exposure Assessment

- Epidemiological studies of adverse health effects
- ◆ Ozone control strategies / regulatory standards
- Methods of assessing ozone exposure
  - → direct measurement
  - → indirect measurement
  - modeling

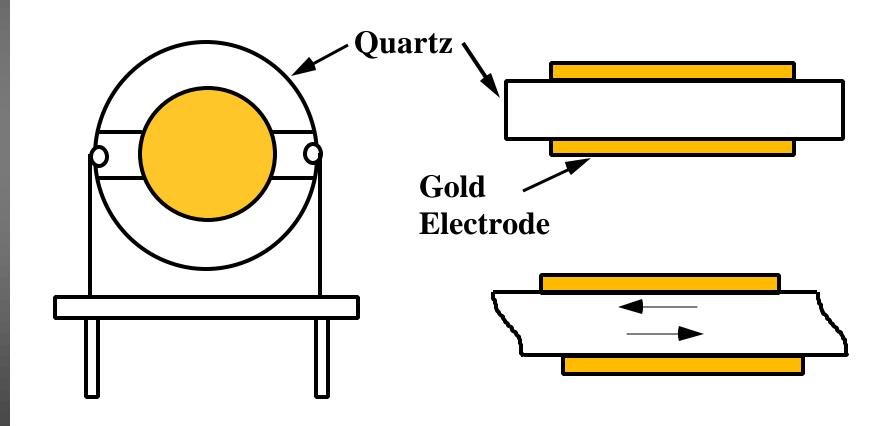
#### Need for Portable Ozone Monitor

- ◆ Assessment of exposure requires accurate characterization of indoor ozone
  - UV ozone monitors are large, noisy, and expensive
- Assessment of acute ozone exposures requires high temporal resolution
  - diffusive badge samplers provide ozone concentration averaged over 8 hours or more and require costly and time-consuming lab analysis

#### Sensor Design

- ◆ Piezoelectric quartz crystal
- ◆ Polybutadiene coating
- Reaction with ozone causes mass increase and decrease in oscillation frequency
- ◆ Rate of change of frequency is proportional to ozone concentration

#### Piezoelectric Quartz Crystal

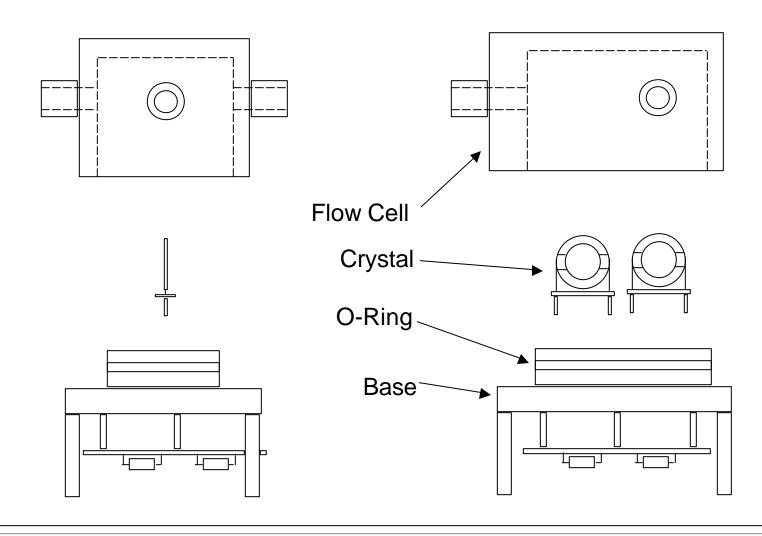


#### Ozone / Polybutadiene Chemistry

$$+C-C=C-C$$

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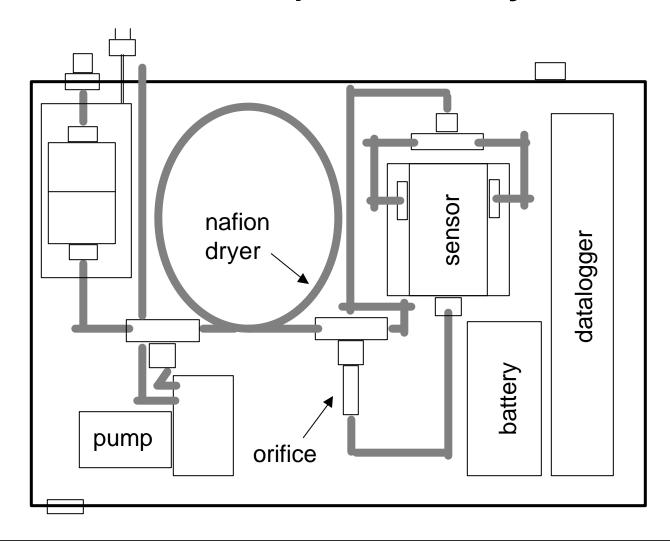
### Sensor Housing



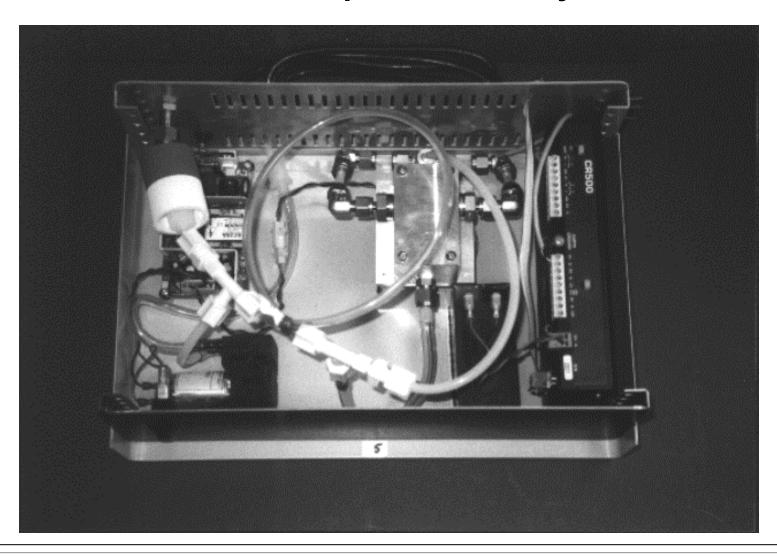
#### Portable Ozone Monitor

- Stand-alone unit
  - \* sampling pump
  - programmable datalogger
- **◆** Teflon filter to remove particles
- ◆ Nafion dryer to remove water vapor
- ◆ Flow control by critical orifice

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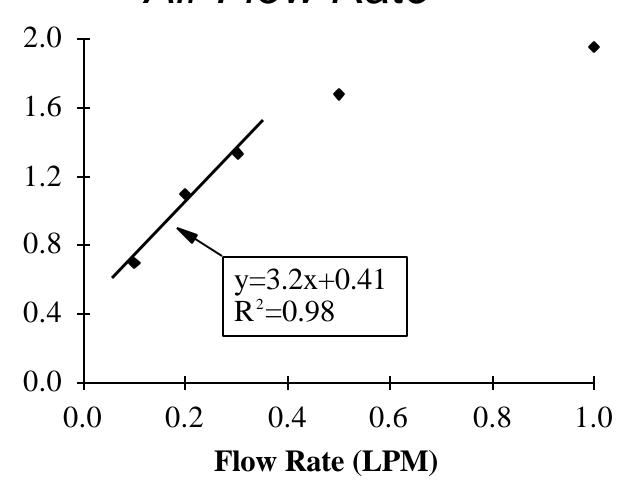
#### Monitor Operation

- Coat crystals to be used for sampling
- Install and condition crystals
- ◆ Run sampler (1000 ppb-hr)
- Download ozone concentration data from logger with laptop PC
- ◆ Remove crystals, clean, and re-coat

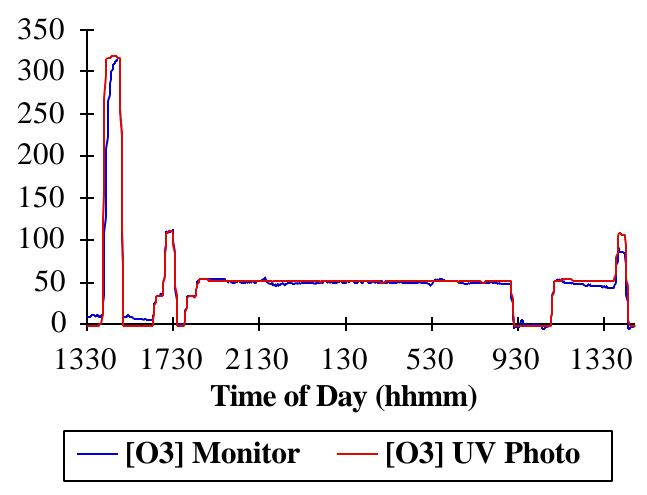
#### Laboratory Testing

- ◆ Vary sample air flow rate
- **♦** Calibration
- ◆ Interference testing
  - ♣ NO₂, water vapor, NO, HNO₃, and toluene

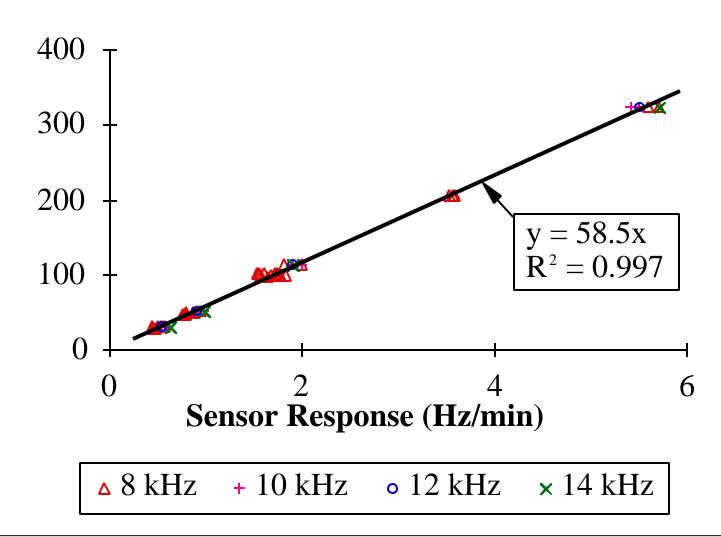
## Sensor Response vs. Air Flow Rate



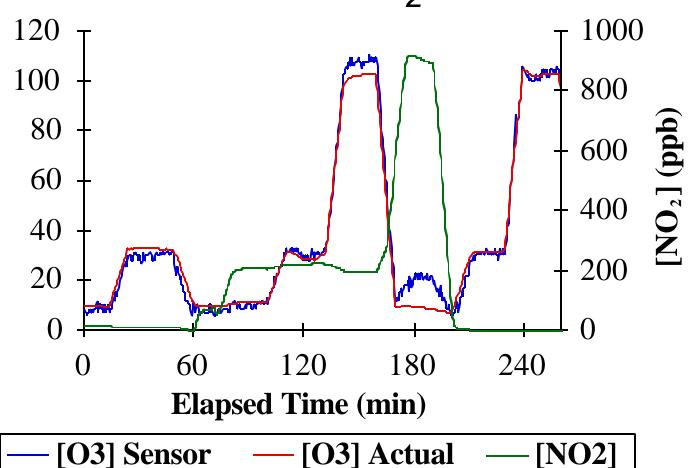
#### POM Measurements in Lab over 24 hrs



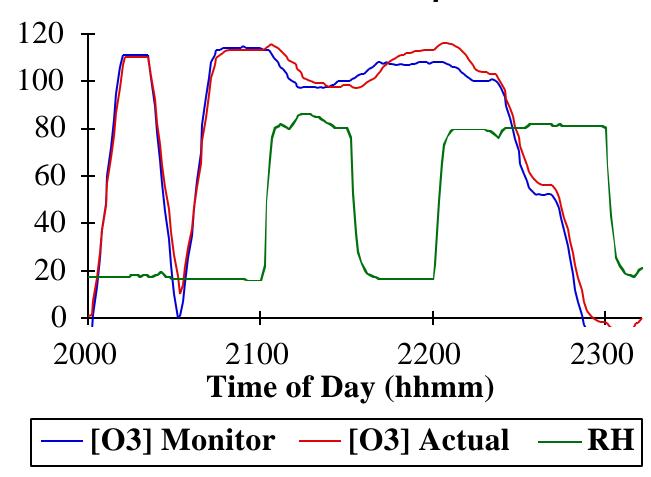
#### Monitor Calibration Curve



# Sensor Response to Ozone and NO<sub>2</sub>



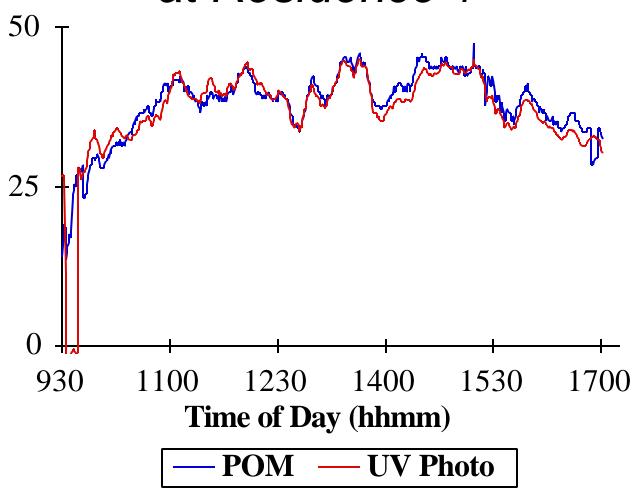
# Sensor Response to Ozone and Water Vapor



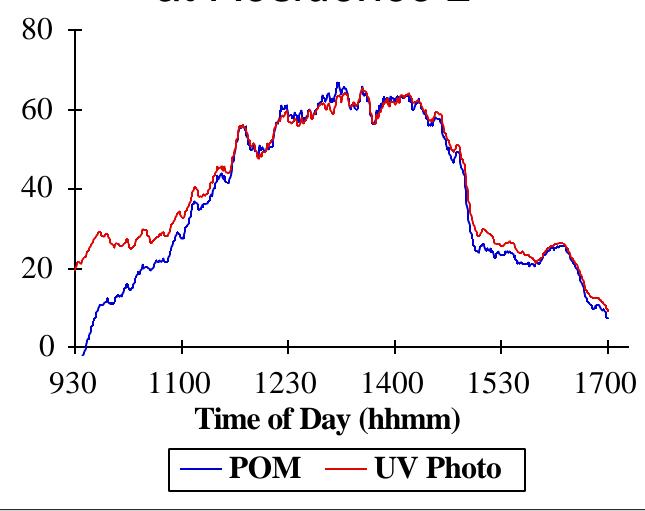
#### Field Sampling

- ♦ Offices in Riverside
  - ★ two POMs, one UV monitor indoors
  - building ventilation fixed
- Residences in Pasadena
  - ★ two POMs, one UV monitor indoors
  - ♣ one POM, one UV monitor outdoors
  - vary ventilation with doors and windows

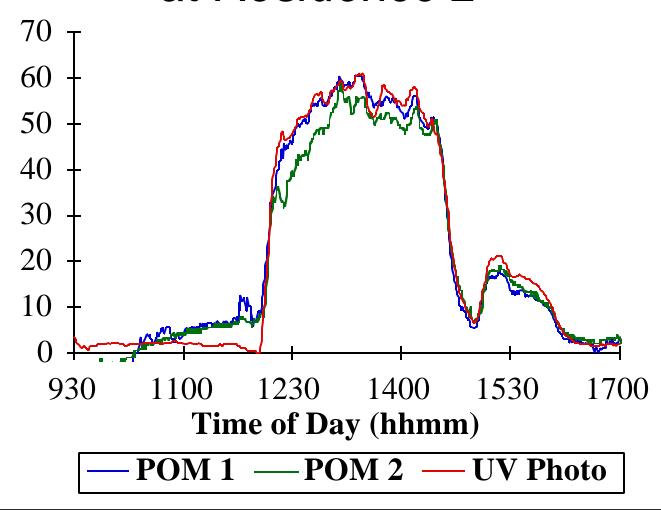
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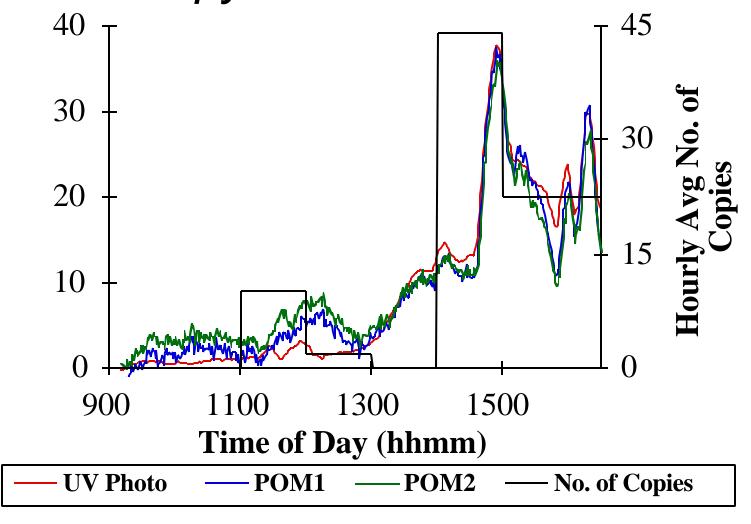
## Outdoor POM Measurements at Residence 2



## Indoor POM Measurements at Residence 2



#### Photocopy Room Measurements



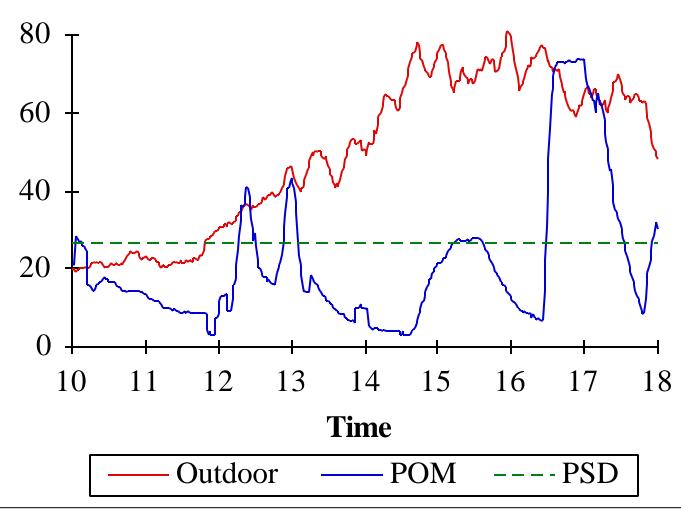
#### Significance of New Monitor

- ◆ Low-cost, small-size, and real-time measurements
  - ❖ schools, hospitals, nursing homes, in-transit
  - assess indoor ozone sources
  - exposure model development
- Technology has potential for personal monitoring

#### Personal Monitoring

- Prototype battery-operated monitor
  - personal sampling pump
  - ❖ Nafion dryer with desiccant
- ◆ Lighter, smaller enclosure
- ◆ Fits in standard backpack
- Preliminary tests with two subjects in Sacramento

#### Personal and Outdoor Ozone Measurements



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